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# HOUSE BILL No. 1057

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 9-25-8-2.

**Synopsis:** Motor vehicle financial responsibility. Makes operating or permitting the operation of a motor vehicle on a public highway without financial responsibility in effect for the motor vehicle a Class C misdemeanor instead of a Class A infraction. Provides that courts: (1) may; and (2) under certain circumstances, shall recommend that the driving privileges of a person who commits the offense be suspended for one year.

**Effective:** July 1, 2003.

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January 7, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Roads and Transportation.

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First Regular Session 113th General Assembly (2003)

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

- 1       SECTION 1. IC 9-25-8-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS  
2       [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 2. (a) A person who **knowingly**:  
3       (1) operates; or  
4       (2) permits the operation of;  
5       a motor vehicle on a public highway in Indiana commits a ~~Class A~~  
6       ~~infraction~~ **Class C misdemeanor** unless financial responsibility is in  
7       effect with respect to the motor vehicle under IC 9-25-4-4.  
8       (b) Subsection (a)(2) applies to:  
9       (1) the owner of a rental company that is referred to in  
10       IC 9-25-6-3(e)(1); and  
11       (2) an employer that is referred to in IC 9-25-6-3(e)(2).  
12       (c) **In addition to any other penalty imposed on a person for**  
13       **violating this section, the court may recommend the suspension of**  
14       **the person's driving privileges for one (1) year. However, if the**  
15       **person has a prior unrelated conviction under this section, the**  
16       **court shall recommend the suspension of the person's driving**  
17       **privileges for one (1) year.**

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1       (d) Upon receiving the recommendation of the court under  
2 subsection (c), the bureau shall suspend the person's driving  
3 privileges for the period recommended by the court.

4       SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003] IC 9-25-8-2, as  
5 amended by this act, applies only to offenses committed after June  
6 30, 2003.

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